## IOWA UCR PROGRAM UPDATE

## **ICRIME Development**

The ICRIME test environment was deployed to the DPS servers and testing officially began on February 16. RMS vendors have provided test files and have received the error data sets (EDS) to identify potential programming issues. The Iowa UCR program is working with Optimum Technology, the vendor developing ICRIME, to troubleshoot errors that appear on the state's end.

The ICRIME production environment tentatively scheduled to go live on March 16. Additional information. including credentials and an ICRIME user manual, will be shared as the date approaches. If there are further delays, they will be communicated to agencies and vendors at the earliest opportunity. Please continue to hold all 2021 crime data for processing within ICRIME. Thank you for your continued patience throughout the ICRIME development process.

## 2020 Data Deadline

The annual 2020 data deadline is March 5, 2021. Data submitted by this deadline will be included in the FBI's annual 2020 publications such as Crime in the United States, LEOKA, Hate Crime Statistics, and NIBRS. By the deadline, agencies must submit missing or corrected data. Data not submitted by March 5 will be excluded from the FBI's annual publications.

Importantly, no data submitted in the current technical specification will be accepted after 5:00 pm on March 5, 2021. No exceptions will be made. Immediately after the deadline, the existing mainframe database will be retired and 2016 through 2020 data will be migrated to ICRIME.

## **Charge Code Table**

As part of the transition to ICRIME, agencies must submit a valid state statute with all reported offenses and arrests. This is made possible through the use of the state charge code table maintained by lowa CJIS.

An abridged version of the table has been provided to RMS vendors and is also available on the DPS website. The table includes statutes that have an associated criminal penalty and are reportable to the Iowa UCR program (i.e., city ordinances, most traffic offenses, and sentencing enhancements have been removed). This means that agencies may no longer report generic statutes. As an example. agencies must report 811.2(8) for Failure to Appear and not 811.7, as 811.2(8) provides the criminal penalty.

In addition to statutes, the table also provides likely UCR offense codes. The table is a dynamic resource and will help ensure the quality and integrity of submitted crime data.

As always, please contact me with any questions or concerns. I can be reached at loynacha@dps.state.ia.us or (515) 725-6251.

